

Warden Message – May Day Rallies
April 29, 2011

Dear U.S. Citizen:

Local media is reporting that a May Day rally of approximately 150,000 people will be held tomorrow, April 29, on 9 de Julio Avenue in the area of the Belgrano Avenue to the 25 de Mayo highway. The start time of the rally is scheduled to take place as early as 11:00 a.m. tomorrow and will continue for an undetermined amount of time. Beginning at midnight tonight, April 28, 9 de Julio Avenue will be closed between Belgrano Avenue to the 25 de Mayo highway. Traffic throughout the area is expected to be affected by the rally.

In addition, local media have reported that another rally will occur on Sunday, May 1st, at Plaza de Mayo beginning at 3:30 pm with an estimated crowd of 10,000. Also on Sunday, demonstrators are planning a rally at Plaza Once beginning at 4:00pm with a possible crowd of 5,000.

Even demonstrations that are meant to be peaceful can become violent and unpredictable. You should avoid them if at all possible. Be alert and aware of your surroundings and pay attention to what the local news media has to say.

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